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CHAPTER XL

The Political Horizon Brightens. element in the Democratic Convention October, and she electrified the country was the strongest antidote against its fulminations. There were hundreds of thousands of Democrats who were sincerely Union men, whose sons were in the army fighting for the salvation of the country, and who had naturally been quite crit cal of the way in which of the Ohio ticket was merely a Secre-President Lincoln was carrying on the tary of State, the Buckeye State rolled

to give the opposition much encouragement. Indiana, the Copperhead-ridden and peculiar field of the Knights of the The very violence of the Copperhead Golden Circle, was the next to speak in



ONE OF THE POPULAR CARTOONS OF THE LINCOLN-McCLELLAN CAMPAIGN.

country the Knights of the Golden Christian Ch which were laid bare. The plot to re-lease the prisoners at Camp Douglas and burn Chicago had too many concerned in it to remain secret long, and soon the country stood aghest at the revelations of the extent to which the Copperhead traitors were prepared to go. The line was drawn sharper than ever between those who favored the preservation of the Union and those who sought its destruction. Even Mc-Clellan, while accept ng the nomination from the hands of the convention felt it necessary to explain that its acts did not wholly meet with his approval. Loval people felt that there was thing sinister in the fact that the Democratic Convention did not adjourn as was customary, but took a recess to re-assemble at such time and place as the National Executive Comm tiee might in-This implied that it was a standing menace, and ready at any tim to take advantage of any great disaster which might befall the Union armies.

In the Midsummer, when the fortunes of the Union army seemed at their low-est ebb, President L nooin felt almost hopeless of his re-election. He com-mitted to writing a pledge that, until the end of his official term, his efforts would continue unabated to carry forward the war to a successful conclusion. One effect of the hardening of the lines was to withdraw John C. Fremont and his radicals from the field. Public op'nion was in no humor for any fac tions or schisms that would endanger Lincoln's election, and Fremont and his associate on the radical Presidential ticket promptly recognized this, and

### retired from the contest. Powerful Campaign Factors.

The best and most convincing arguments for Lincoln's re-election were soon to come from the deep mouths of Farragut's guns and the shr il voices of Sherman's and Sheridan's rifles. Even before the convention assembled at Chicago that peerless marshal of the waves, David G. Farragut, had raised himself to the plane of Nelson and Van Tromp by leading his flect between the blazing forts directly into Mobile Bay, destroying the Confederate fleet he encountered there. The ink on the pen with which Vallandigham had

their Copperhead allies in the North. Incited by the Knights of the Golden Circle, these were clamoring that the President and his party did not want peace, but to presecute the war for the destruction of the South. They filled the air with stories of the immense for-tunes which contractors and those in-terested in the war were making in the course of its prosecution. There was just enough of the unscrupulous sordidness, mingled as dross in the exalted patriotism of the people, to give color to these charges, just as the purest and most elevated religion seems impossible to escape gross cupidity among a few of its devotees.

The Copperhead press and orators claimed that the President was repulshis embarrassment of the Administra-

On July 5, 1864, George N. Sanders vrote to Mr. Greeley to the effect that element C. Clay, of Alabama; James

Mr. Greeley accompanied this with a lan of adjustment which he suggested he President might advantageously of-er. The points of this were a declara-ion that the Union was restored and eclared perpetual; slavery utterly and orever abolished; complete amnesty or all political offenses, with a restora-on to all the Confederates of their full solitical rights; the Government to pay 400,000,000 in five per cent stock to he late Slave States, to be apportioned ro rata, according to the population; te Slave States to be entitled to full coresentation in the House of Repreentatives for the slaves so liberated in-tead of three-fourths, as previously. fr. Greeley added to this proposition: "I do not say that a just peace is now trainable, the I believe it to be so. mpartial must say ought to be accept-d will, at the worst, prove an immense nd sorely needed advantage to the Na-

Northern insurrection. ould have no power from Jefferson havis to treat for anything less than neependence and the recognition of the Southern Confederacy, which, of ourse, could not be considered for an



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of two years before. Maine followed, be mistaken for weakness. Sept. 12, with a majority so reduced as In this they were greatly aided by

coln carrying all the rest of the States ed on the battlefield with mortal weapons mere words were not sufficient to spivania, Secretary of State Knox might intensify this fire. Greeley grumbled be considered but for the fact that he

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# SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES.

President Taft Called Upon to Select a Member of This August Tribunal-Speculations as to This Selection-Possibly a New York or Pennsylvania Man.

Supreme Court by the death of Associate Justice Rufus W. Peckham. It is urged him to nominate Circuit Judge the first vacancy since the retirement Horace H. Lurton, of Tennessee, servng all the propositions for a settlement, and then Horace Greeley, whose pells of doing the wrong thing were as periodical as the changes of the noon, was decoyed into helping further Because of peculiar conditions the se-lection of Jüstice Peckham's successor will be of unusual importance in deter-of the Supreme Court in Justices Har-lend White and the selection of

gram of work. Justice Moody is still seriously ill at his home in Havernil, Mass., with acute rheumatism, and will not be able to resume his duties before the beginning of the year. This leaves the Court consisting of but seven Judges. The possibility of an evenly divided Court is removed for the pres-ent, but there is an averagon to decisions by but seven of the pine members. "I do not say that a just peace is now trainable, the I believe it to be so. I do say that a frank offer by you the insurgents of terms which the mountial must say ought to be accept. power to make a recess appointment, and the new Justice so named could ral cause. It may save us from a cial selections of that importance it has become the practice that the nominee take his seat immediately; but in judi-The so-called Confederate Commis-ioners asked to be allowed to go to Vashington under a safe conduct. Mr. Vashington under a safe conduct. Mr. Incoln saw at once that the talk of beace was futile, since these gentlemen said have no power from lefferson dicial nominations before Justices are

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To Strengthen the Court.

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Hughes would be disposed to resign are not for life. his Gubernatorial office in the middle of his second term. That faction of New York Republicans with whom Gov. Hughes is unpopular till be found shouting loudly for his promotion to the

sider Gov. Hughes as a Presidential possibility in 1912. But if the President is aircady been demonstrated. McKinley nominated his Attorney-General, Joseph McKenna, to the Supreme Court; Roosevelt did likewise with Attorney-General Moody. But Mr. Wickersham is in the midst of important investigations into legal and legislative questions affecting President's Administration, M. Taft would be averse to parting with him at this stage because of these investigations and because of his reliance upon Mr. Wickersham to draft severa Administration bills for the considera tion of Congress. Then the Presiden of the present members of his Cabinet which he does not want to have to reor ganize during his present term. Fur-thermore, there has been great criti-cism of the promotion of Attorney-Generals to the Supreme Court. They in-variably have cases before the Court, and judicial etiquet prescribes that they shall not sit at the hearing of cases in which they have at any time appeared as counsel. The withdrawal of a Justice from such cases, if not embarrass ing to the Court, provokes undesirable

Who From Pennsylvania? If the appointment is to go to Penn con carrying all the rest of the states the pen with which Vallandigham had written the platform was searcely dry when the North was electrified by Sherman's dispatch: "Atlanta is ours, and sheep the first of the caseless, crued fairly won." The delegates had only newly reached their homes when Sherman's dispatch and the first of the people for the flower of the Nation's dum, failing at the Opequan upon the addactous raiders at Washington, had sent "Early whirling up the Valley," and the skies brightened everywhere, not only for Lincoln, but for the count and the skies brightened everywhere. The proposition is the midst of the humiliants of the people for the humiliants of the people for the humiliants of the skies brightened everywhere. The precedity of the flower of the raid in the Wilsians and the Shenandoah Valley, keying the train of a Treasury drifting the proposition is the proposition, but this was only to core that they were not allowed to offer their proposition, but this was only to offer their proposition, but this was only to core that they were not allowed to offer their proposition, but this was only to core that they were not allowed to offer their proposition, but this was only to considered but for the fact that he declined a proffered noming the that they were not allowed to offer their proposition, but this was only to considered but for their that they were not allowed to offer their proposition, but this was only to considered but for their proposition, but this was only to considered but for their that they were not allowed to offer their proposition, but this was only to considered but for their proposition, but this was only to considered but for their proposition, but this was only to considered but for their proposition, but this was only to considered but for their proposition, but this was only to considered but for their proposition, but this was only to considered but for their proposition, but this was only to considered but for their proposition, but this was only to considered Confederate seaports, lay at the mercy of Earragut's Columbiads.

The effect of all this was easerly watched for. Vermont voted first, Sept. ious for peace than the North, but 6, and showed a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be an adverture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her vote feared to make an overture that would be a slight gain of her

President Taft has his first oppor- the promotion. When President muose tunity to nominate a thember of the Supreme Court by the death of Assortant of War, was credited with having of Justice Brown in the Spring of 1996. ing in the Sixth United States Circuit.

Mr. Taft was his colleague during his

mining the character of judicial decisions.

The deceased jurist, one of the three cleveland appointees in the present court in Justices Harlan and White, and the selection of Judge Lurton would make a third. He is a Cleveland Democrat, and was appointed early in the last Cleveland Administration. It is presumed that the President will want to page a Bounk fement C. Clay, of Alabama; James fement C. Clay, of Alabama; James fement C. Clay, of Virginia, and himself fere very anxious to enter into tentative negotiations by which peace might be brought about. Mr. Greeley wrote to the President, inclosing the letter of the Confederate Company other and urging that the Confederate Company other appears to the Confederate Company other and urging that the Confederate Company other appears to the present Court Justice that Cleveland appointees in the present Court Justice that Cleveland selected, belonged to the conservative school. He was an adherent of what has sometimes been adherent of what has sometimes been not supposed to exert any influence with men, once they have put on the conservative been appears to the present will want to the vacancy, but it is possible that the will prefer to retain the long-existent party division of six Republicans and three Democrats. Politics are not supposed to exert any influence with men, once they have put on the conservative been appears to the present court Justice that Cleveland appointees in the present court Justice that Cleveland selected, belonged to the conservative school. He was an adherent of what has sometimes been not supposed to exert any influence with the conservative school. the Government and its supporters are tween which and the mere recent idea of harger governmental regulation the in the land, but Pres dents have been of larger governmental regulation the supermental proposed of the second the court for that contention. On the other hand, if he be of the more conservative school the narrow division between the nine Justices will continue.

The death of Justice Peckham at this time embarrasses the Court in its program of work. Justice Monde is attributed in the Cabinet.

vacancy in the Cabinet.

A goodly number of names will be urged, but until the President speaks no one will know the man to hold this \$12,500-a-year job on a life tenure. There has been much comment about the ability of the Court in recent times. It is not disputed that the Justices of great reputation with the country are practically all men who were appointed prior to the advent of the McKinley Administration. Because of the respect cited where lawyers of mediocre ability have been elevated to those high offices. There is more than one Justice of the present Court whose opinions carry weight chiefly because of the concurence of their brethren of the bench.

E. Hughes for the Supreme Court, bis to be the Chief Justice. A member of name will probably be brought forward the Interstate Commerce Commission now. His eminent ability as a lawyer, receives \$10,000 a year. Some of the together with his popularity as a public Judges of the State Courts of New York official, would make his nomination acceptable from a popular standpoint.
But even if the President were willing to nominate Gov. Hughes, it would re-True the appointments

Such a nomination would be pleasing to them politically. It would eliminate the troublesome question as to whether Gov. Hughes must run again now the Gov. Hughes must run again next year. In National policies. The advances in it might also be pleasing to President legislation by Congress almost invariation, especially if he is inclined to conater for review and adjudication, just the rate-regulation law, enacted a to put a New York man upon the bench few years ago, is now approaching sehe might choose Atterney-General vere tests as to the constitutionality of Wickersham, whose legal ability has its various provisions.

## THE 624 CONGRESS.

## The Battle for the Control of the House Already Begun-Rumors of Coalition Between the Insurgents and Democrats.

It is a year away, but the campaign for the election of the 62d Congress is n. Speaker Cannon has jumped upon the platform in the West. The result as been thrown down. President Taft may have been responsible for the preelpitancy with which the Republican eaders are springing to the fray.

He announced in Boston and Winona weeks ago that he was training with the egulars of his party. He could not compromise with insurgents. The ferent of those remarks has been workng as the President has been swinging around the big circle of the mainland. The insurgents forthwith began to "jump on" "Uncle Joe" and Senator Aldrich. Senator Aldrich has not yet returned from his European tour, but 'Uncle Joe" has entered right into the

has been followed in one or two instances, where the President has had the opportunity. Therefore, he may try to find a Federal Circuit Judge, who, to the President's mind, is big enough to merit Chicago in a few days to make a reply is stance. The speaker there read has have makes ready for another winning. Political battles generally rewining. The refere at the close of one sult in the survival of the survi



The Latest from the West.

Administration. Because of the respect in which the court is held little has been said about those matters in print. It has been quite generally conceded in official circles, however, that political conceded in official circles, however, that political circles, however, the circles official circles, however, that political seems to promise that it will be the diddle onsiderations have weighed sometimes during the last 12 years in naming Supreme Court Judges, and instances are for position will continue all thru the for this carry date candidate seems to promise that it will be the Middle V Summer. coming session of Congress.

## For a Fight in the Open.

old of their campaigns, will be whether, if nominated and elected, they will participate in the cancus of House Republicans and be guided by its verdict.
That was a question which many Republican candidate had to face in the last Congressional campaign, but as far as the Republicans are concerned it is likely to be a very dominant question next year.

Interest, for it is to their advantage to encourage factionalism on the other side. They will feel under some obligations to help the insurgents in a quiet way, because the insurgents have co-operated with them so extensively in the control of th next year.
All sorts of stories are in the air re

Gov. Hughes as a Possibility.

Both New York and Pennsylvania will want to furnish the new Justice, as neither of those States, rich and populous beyond any others in the Union, lous beyond any others in the Union, already been effected. It meant Champ Clark, the minority leader, would have a formidable following at his back when Congress comes together in December. In return for the support of the Republican insurgents Democrats would not nominate candidates for Congress in their districts next year. Then in return for that the insurgents would vote for Champ Clark for Speaker. It was rather a pretty story. Persons around the Capitol insisted that Representative Persons around Burleson, an aggressive Democrat from Texas, was authority for the statement that the coalition had alreay been ar ranged, and that Champ Clark's election to the Speakership two years from now was assured, whether the next House was Democratic or Republican. "They are just kidding," quoth Mr. Burleson, when he was asked about the rumored coalition. "The thing is absurd. As far as anything I said, the story was based on a little 'josh' taik I gave a few of the Republicans one day in a committee room at the Capitol."

> nia, who has just come to town, set he hears there is every prospect of such a coalition in the House, and that the first step of legislation in the program of the opponents is to repeal the Payne Aldrich tariff b'll. He likewise say that a joint campaign between the Dem-ocrats and insurgent Republicans is to be made next year for the election of friendly Senators with a view to control of the upper legislative branch after last year will become known. A num-March 4, 1911, by Democrats and in-ber of State Legislatures will meet this surgents. Those two factions are not Winter. New York, Massachusetts and far from a control of that body now. Rhode Island—in the heart of the counsurgents. Those two factions are not far from a control of that body now. The margin this Winter will be too narrow for the comfort of the Republican lenders. It was only eight or 10 two tes on the tariff bill, and two or three insurgent Republican Senators were high protectionists. Now the high protectionists. Now the high protectionists have lost one vertein the control of the States by the section of the States of the section of the section of the States by the section of th high protectionists. Now the high pro-tectionists have lost one vote in the death of Senator Johnson, of North change in the entire scheme of raising Dahota, whose successor for the com-ing session and for part of the short possibilities. ing session and for part of the short passion of 1910-11 will be a Democrat. The Governor of North Dakota is a Democrat, and will nominate a man of his own party to fill the vacancy till each are to contend in the near future.

Senator Flint, Republican, of Califor

### the Legislature meets again. The Situation in the Senate.

If the insurgents can capture control of the Senate thru the aid of Democratic cussions over tariff, and the signs are Senators there would be some chance not wanting that a revival of popular of it is seen in the activity of his lieu-tenants and coworkers, now straggling into Washington. The gage of battle but such a proposition promises to be sisting that it would come sooner or something of a rallying cry for the Con-later, and that the popular agitation gressional campaign. In view of President Taft's declaration at Winona that period of about 10 years, would be rethe present tariff law is an excellent peated. one a campaign for the repeal of the tariff law would be construed as an attack against him and against his Administration. It is very improbable first notable work of his Administrathat the President would give much tion. A remark in the course of one assistance to Republican candidates for of his Texas speeches that he was Congress running for office on such a President for four years and then would platform. On the contrary, it is more become a private citizen has been seized likely that the powerful influence of the upon as showing that he does not in-Republican organization will be thrown tend to be a candidate for a second against the nomination of insurgents for Congress, and then if such men are his friends in Washington have regard-

game with spirit, and is "jump ng on" other doleful prognostications in party the insurgents to beat the band,

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## Interest in the Primaries

For this reason the Congressional primaries and conventions will be exceed-ingly zestful. The Administration will The Speaker and other leaders of the regular wing propose to bring their opponents right out into the open. A question Republican candidates for Congress must answer, right at the threshold of their campaigns, will be whether

It is worth noting that while the in-surgent movement was based originally, House voted the new tariff law with the conviction that it would upon the statute books for eight or 10 years. They believed that their majority in the Senate could not be wiped out for some time. But the tariff agita-tion in the West has become so acute repeal or modification of that law, and it cannot be questioned that the operation of the tariff law for a long period depends largely upon the ability of the Republican regulars to maintain their majority in the Senate unimpaired.

The regulars are crying out that the

The regulars are crying out that the loss of the House in next year's elec-tions to the Democrats imperils the choice of a Republican President in 1912. It would certainly give the Dem-ocrats great hope, for a Democratic House in the 62d Congress would be the only National victory to the credit of that party since 1892. As it now seems probable that tariff is to be a leading sue of the campaign next year, the Democrats, once in control of the Na-tonal House, would be compelled to frame a tariff revision bill, which could hardly become a law by the signature of a Republican President, even if it 'got by" a Republican Senate.

## The Income Tax.

But in the meantime something of the fate of the income tax amendment which Congress submitted to the States

It begins to appear that questions of corporation control are to have a relatively second place. The American peo-ple at intervals take very kindly to dis-

term. That does not comport with ideas nominated that the regular organization will be lukewarm in support of them at the polls.

Doleful prognestications of such a political battle now prevail. Like many

Then, again, President Taft is not

man to turn about when he encoun-